

### Abstract of the Disclosure

A sewing machine comprises: a head portion having a sewing needle driven to vertically reciprocate; a lower shaft having a shuttle connected thereto which is driven to rotate synchronized  
5 with the vertical movement of the sewing needle cooperating to form stitches; a table positioned above the lower shaft; a retainer positioned above the table to retain a material for forming stitches thereon; a holding frame placed parallel to the table, the head portion being mounted at a position on the holding frame; and supporting posts adapted to support opposite ends of the holding frame for positioning the holding frame above the table. The sewing machine allows a material to be  
10 sewn, which is retained on a retainer, to be easily mounted or removed.